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we are one in the heavenly Father's children
 and we all know that he loves us one and all
 yet there are times when we find an answer
 another voice and call. If we are willing, he will back
 us His voice only to obey no matter where
 and he knows

PALLBEARERS

Members, Board of Deacons

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Arthur Graham

Sylvester Graham

Wilbert Graham

David Richardson

Robert Shelton

Henry Watson

INTERMENT

Forest Lawn Cemetery

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home Inc.

995 Genesee Street
 Buffalo, NY 14211

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

With sincere appreciation for your kindness, the members of
 our entire family gratefully acknowledge your sympathetic
 generosity after the passing of our loved one.

Thank you and God bless you.

Sept. 11 Cor. 5-6

Subject - Present with The Lord HOMEGOING SERVICE



DEACON MAXFIELD GRAHAM

1913-1992



Saturday, September 26, 1992
 11 a.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
 402 Clinton Street
 Buffalo, New York
 A. CHARLES WARE, PASTOR

ORDER OF SERVICE



PRELUDE

Richard Smith
Rachel E. Waker

Organist
Pianist

PROCESSIONAL

Clergy & Family

HYMN

What A Friend

Musicians & Choir

SCRIPTURE

Old Testament
New Testament

Clergy

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Clergy

HYMN

Musicians & Choir

REMARKS

Friendship Officers
Clergy

HYMN

Musicians & Choir

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

RESOLUTIONS

Church Clerk

OBITUARY

(Silent Reading)

Organ & Piano Medley

SOLO

Richard Smith

EULOGY

Rev. A. Charles Ware

RECESSIONAL

When They Ring Those Golden Bells

OBITUARY



On Monday, September 21, 1992, the earthly life of Maxfield Graham came to a close in the Veterans Administration Hospital.

Maxfield was born to the late Arthur and Sophia Graham on September 17, 1913 in Saluda, South Carolina.

He confessed faith in Christ at the age of sixteen and was baptized at Mt. Zion Baptist Church by the Rev. Marshall Young.

When he moved to Buffalo, he joined the Friendship Baptist Church in 1947 under the leadership of Rev. R.H. Dixon. In addition to his service as a Deacon, he had been a member of Usher Board No.2 and the Male Chorus. He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 1945. He retired from the Buffalo Color Corporation.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved wife, Arleaner; son, Wilbert (Margaret) of Saluda, South Carolina; brothers: John H. (Julie) and Arthur (Lula) of North Carolina and Sylvester of Buffalo; sisters: Hattie Watson of Brooklyn, New York; Vivian Butler of Corona, Long Island, New York; and Lola McDowell of Buffalo; three grandchildren; six great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Grieve not for those who've gone before

Because for now their days are o'er.

A blessed sleep the Lord has given,
Watched over them while they were living.

In peace they closed their eyes in rest:
For our dear Father, knows what is best!

So when our loved ones fall asleep

And we can then no longer keep,

A little time with them to spend.

Take courage knowing, that you could lend,

A helping hand when they were here.

Because you cared, and held them dear.